



FISCAL YEAR 2021

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE

PROVIDING FOR THE NATIONAL DEFENSE - \$740.5B

- Approved on an overwhelmingly bipartisan vote (25-2)
- Total funding authorized in line with the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2019
- Supports \$8.15 billion for military construction projects — \$350 million above the request

ACHIEVING IRREVERSIBLE MOMENTUM IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL DEFENSE STRATEGY

- Builds on the past two NDAs to reinforce and accelerate implementation of the NDS
- Establishes the Pacific Deterrence Initiative, which will enhance budgetary transparency and oversight, focus resources on key military capability gaps, reassure U.S. allies and partners, and restore the credibility of American deterrence in the Indo-Pacific
- Ensures a combat-credible forward posture that clearly conveys a strong message of deterrence to our potential adversaries
- Prioritizes strategic competition with China and Russia, including protecting the defense industrial base from disruption, infiltration or theft by the Government of China and fully funding the European Deterrence Initiative
- Maintains a strong and secure nuclear deterrent

CARING FOR OUR ALL-VOLUNTEER FORCE, THEIR FAMILIES, AND CIVILIAN WORKFORCE

- Provides for the requested 3 percent pay raise for our troops
- Reflects end-strength levels largely in line with the request, but takes a cautious approach due to the COVID-19 pandemic's effects on recruitment and training
- Supports military family readiness by advocating for the employment of military spouses and ensuring the Department provides high-quality and accessible child care
- Ensures previous reforms to the military privatized housing program and to the military health system are implemented to rigorous standards
- Reemphasizes focus on training to ensure our service members can conduct missions safely

REGAINING OUR MILITARY ADVANTAGE

- Encourages innovative technological development that restores, maintains, or expands our comparative advantage over China and Russia for key capabilities and technologies, including hypersonic weapons, cybersecurity, biotechnologies, and beyond
- Reshapes, protects, and reinvigorates the National Security innovation Base, and expands its capacity, promotes agility, secures and mitigates risks, and partners with allies
- Invests in the equipment and weapons platforms that will secure our military supremacy across all domains
- Creates a whole-of-government response to spectrum management

IMPROVING THE PENTAGON'S BUSINESS OPERATIONS

- Improves how the Pentagon manages its budget and makes the process more transparent and accountable to Congress and the American people
- Provides the Pentagon with flexibility to recruit and hire top talent in key fields
- Strengthens oversight and acquisition management